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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ESTATE OF GEORGE ROY HILL,

Plaintiff, : ANSWER

v. : 07 Civ. 3993 (LLS)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, : ECF Case

Defendant.

Defendant United States of America (the "United States" or the "Government"), by its attorney, Michael J. Garcia, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, answers the complaint on information and belief as follows:

- 1. Admit.
- 2. Admit.
- 3. This paragraph sets forth plaintiff's statement of jurisdiction, to which no response is required.
- 4. This paragraph sets forth plaintiff's characterization of the complaint, to which no response is required.
 - 5. Admit.
 - 6. Admit.

7.	Admit.
8.	Admit.
9.	Admit.
10.	Admit.
11.	Deny.
12.	Deny.
13.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 1.
14.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 2.
15.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 3.
16.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 4.
17.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 5.
18.	Admit.
19.	Admit.
20.	Admit.
21.	Admit.
22.	Admit.
23.	Deny.
24.	Deny.
25.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 1.
26.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 2.
27.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 3.
28.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 4.
29.	Defendant incorporates by reference its responses to paragraph 5.

- 30. Admit.
- 31. Admit.
- 32. Admit.
- 33. Admit.
- 34. Admit.
- 35. Deny.
- 36. Deny.

The remaining paragraph of the complaint constitutes plaintiff's prayer for relief, to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, defendant denies plaintiff is entitled to the relief sought.

FIRST DEFENSE

The complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

WHEREFORE the United States prays that this Court enter judgment dismissing the action against it and award such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper, including costs and disbursements.

Dated: New York, New York August 20, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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